IIFEGROUPS STUDY GUIDE

"They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer." Acts 2:42

→ SERIES: This Means War

> MESSAGE TITLE: The War on Truth

MESSAGE DATE: 05/05/2024

MESSAGE SUMMARY:

Our guest speaker, Pastor Reed Adams, spoke about "The War on Truth." He focused on standing against lies, relying on God's strength, using Gideon's story as an illustration. He emphasized recognizing fear and stepping out on faith, getting battle plans from God, starting at home by addressing idols, and balancing truth and love in interactions. Adams encouraged introspection, taking action, nurturing family spirituality, and sharing Christ's truth and love boldly.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1.) In what ways have you experienced fear or feelings of inadequacy that led you to hide from your spiritual battles?

Pastor Reed mentioned that we often find ourselves hiding due to fear or feelings of inadequacy.

What specific steps can you take to overcome these fears and rely on God's strength?

2.) How can we ensure that our battle plans come from God and not our own understanding?

Pastor Reed used the story of Gideon to show how his battle plan came from God, even though it seemed illogical.

What practices can you implement in your life to help you discern God's guidance in your battles?

3.) Why is it important to start the battle at home by addressing idols in our lives and leading our families towards Christ?

Pastor Reed used the example of Gideon tearing down idols in his own family before fighting the Midianites.

What idols or distractions do you need to address in your own life to strengthen your relationship with God?



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4.) What are some practical ways to balance truth and love in your interactions with others?

Pastor Reed highlighted the need for balance between truth and love, cautioning against being too harsh or too permissive.

Think of a recent interaction where you struggled with this balance. How could you have handled it differently to better represent Christ's love and truth?

5.) What role does the story of Gideon (from Judges) play in understanding how to confront the lies and falsehoods in our world?

The sermon used Gideon's story to illustrate the importance of relying on God's direction and strength in our spiritual battles.

How can you apply the lessons from Gideon's story to your own personal battles against the lies and falsehoods you face?